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S E C R E T TEHRAN 7730

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1  
TAGS: MASS, PFOR, IR, JO, US  
SUBJ: AIR DEFENSE FOR JORDAN

1. THE SHAH WANTS TO SUPPORT IN A "POSITIVE MANNER" THE RECOMMENDATION WHICH HE UNDERSTANDS AMBASSADOR PICKERING HAS MADE TO THE DEPARTMENT THAT FOREIGN AID FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR JORDAN BE USED TO FINANCE THE AIR DEFENSE SYSTEM WHICH THE SAUDI ARABIANS NOW SAY THEY CANNOT FINANCE BECAUSE OF OTHER COMMITMENTS.

2. THIS AT LEAST IS THE ANT#  
ACTING COUR#MINISTER BAHADORI TOLD ME FRIDAY EVENING BASED ON HIS READING OF A TELEGRAM FROM THE IRANIAN AMBASSADOR IN AMMAN ON WHICH THE SHAH HAD WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS IN HIS OWN HAND. (THE SHAH IS AT NOWSHAHR ON THE CASPIAN). THE OPAQUENESS OF THE TELEGRAM MAY BE DUE TO AN INCORRECT UNDERSTANDING ON THE PART OF THE IRANIAN AMBASSADOR AS TO WHAT IS INVOLVED IN FINANCING THE JORDANIAN AIR DEFENSE SYSTEM AND THERE IS NO POINT IN MY TRYING TO GUESS WHAT AMBASSADOR PICKERING HAS REPORTED TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE NUB OF THE MATTER HERE IS THAT THE SHAH WANTS TO GO ON RECORD WITH THE USG AS TAKING AN "INITIATIVE" IN SUPPORT OF KING HUSSEIN.  
HELMS

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